

Pr. George's Wild Animal Area Planned

A subsidiary of the American Broadcasting Co. announced plans yesterday to open a wildlife preserve, complete with wild animals, a restaurant and facilities for vacationers, at a 280-acre site on Central Avenue in Prince George's County.

The preserve, about eight miles from the District line, is planned by ABC Scenic and Wildlife Attractions, which has built two other scenic outdoor attractions in Florida, and will be ready for visitors by the spring of 1974, according to John E. Campbell, president of the company.

Campbell said it "will feature lions, tigers, bears, zebras, elephants, elk, monkeys, birds, all roaming free in habitats resembling their natural ones."

He said "wild animals will be observed by visitors from inside their automobiles through closed windows although there will be areas . . . where people may walk among tame animals and birds."

Zoning for the preserve was granted by the Prince George's County Council several months ago. The preserve originally was the project of Texas multimillionaire H. Ross Perot but has been taken over by the ABC affiliate.